## CHAPTER XLVI.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE SHERIFF OF WASHINGTON COUNTY TO COLLECT ARREARS OF TAXES.

SECTION 1. The General Assembly of North Carolina do May collect taxes for 1867 and 1868. enact, That John M. Beatman, sheriff of Washington county, be hereby empowered to collect arrears of taxes due for state and county purposes for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven and one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and the said sheriff shall have the power to enforce the same that is given to sheriffs for the collection of taxes in other cases.

SEC. 2. This act to be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified the 14th day of February, A. D. 1870.

## CHAPTER XLVII.

AN ACT TO PROTECT THE INTEREST OF THE STATE AS A STOCKHOLDER IN THE NORTH CAROLINA RAILROAD COMPANY.

SECTION 1. The General Assembly of North Carolina do State directors to enact, That the directors of the North Carolina Railroad Company who were appointed by the governor and who represent[s] the interest of the state in said railroad company, are hereby requested and instructed to call a meeting of directors of said railroad[s] within ten days after the ratification of this act, and in such meeting or in any other meeting of said board that may be called in the usual manner within said ten days, to vote for a distribution, as dividends, Distribution of divin conformity to law, the surplus earnings of said company idends. for the year last past; said surplus earnings shall not be diverted to the payment of debts not due.